Introduced by Assembly Member Carter

February 24, 2012

An act to amend Section 48263.6 of the Education Code, relating to truancy.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2616, as introduced, Carter. Truancy: chronic truant.

Existing law defines a truant as any pupil subject to compulsory full-time education or to compulsory continuation education who is absent from school without a valid excuse 3 full days in one school year, or tardy or absent for more than any 30-minute period during the schoolday without a valid excuse on 3 occasions in one school year, or any combination thereof. Existing law defines a chronic truant as any pupil subject to compulsory full-time education or to compulsory continuation education who is absent from school without a valid excuse for 10% or more of the schooldays in one school year, from the date of enrollment to the current date, provided that the appropriate school district officer or employee has complied with specified provisions of law.

This bill would make a nonsubstantive change to that latter provision. Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 48263.6 of the Education Code is 2 amended to read:

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- 1 48263.6. Any pupil subject to compulsory full-time education
- 2 or to compulsory continuation education who is absent from school
- 3 without a valid excuse for 10 percent or more of the schooldays
- 4 in one school year, from the date of enrollment to the current date,
- 5 is deemed a chronic truant, provided that if the appropriate school
- 6 district officer or employee has complied with Sections 48260,
- 7 48260.5, 48261, 48262, 48263, and 48291.